

- Stay out of the pack of cars to leave you room for any sudden stops.
- Never drive on a flooded road. You have no way of knowing how deep the water is or whether the road has been washed out.

It is also a good idea to check your automobile before you head out on long trips to make sure it is in proper working condition. You check things such as windshield wiper blades, the battery, radiator hoses, oil and fluid levels, tires and air pressure levels, and headlights and taillights. It is a good idea to fill up with gas when the tank reaches the one-quarter full so that you do not risk running out of fuel.

You should have an emergency supply kit in your car, including blankets, warning flares, a first aid kit, bottled water and a flashlight. If you have children in the car, you should have snacks, toys and games available to help keep their entertained. If an adult needs to attend to the children, pull completely off the highway into a rest stop or other area where you will be safe. Stopping alongside a busy highway is dangerous.

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